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December 14, 1962

Dear Mr. Bell:

I have received a copy of Mr. McCone's letter to you of 13 December relative to those items within the NRP which are considered to be a CIA responsibility.

A rapid perusal of the items indicates some inconsistency between my concept of the relative responsibilities between Defense and CIA but time has not permitted a thorough comparison of figures and discussion of the items. In any event, as you know, I have felt that the total NRP should be considered as a single program in order to achieve the greatest measure of economy, efficiency and flexibility. Since the proposed course of action is not compatible with my understanding of the matter in which the total program would be administered, I would like to have the opportunity to consult with Secretary McNamara upon his return before providing you with detailed comments on the listed items.

As you know, my office has been in direct contact with your new office established for the purpose of providing complete coordination in this area and if the total program is to be divided in this fashion, I think it would be desirable for me to modify my earlier submission to them in order to insure compatibility and consistency.

Sincerely yours,

[Signed]

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